Application Number REQUEST Confirmation Number 1473 **FOR** January 17, 2006 Filing Date **CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)** Haruo IMAWAKA First Named Inventor TRANSMITTAL Group Art Unit Paul A. Zucker MAIL STOP RCE Examiner Name Commissioner for Patents Q92718 Matter Number P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, BRANCHED CARBOXYLIC ACID provides for continued examination of an utility or Title COMPOUND AND USE THEREOF plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995 This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. 1. SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 a. Previously submitted i. Please enter and consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on July 15, 2008 Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on ii. 🗆 iii. 🗆 Other b. Enclosed i. M Amendment/Reply Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) ii. 🗆 Information Disclosure Statements (IDS) iii. 🗆 Petition for Extension of Time iv. 🗹 v. 🗹 Other Declaration 2. MISCELLANEOUS Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months b. Other 3. FEES The RCE statutory fee of \$810.00 is being charged to Deposit Account No. 19-4880 via EFS Payment Screen. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS Direct all correspondence to the address for SUGHRUE MION, PLLC filed under the Customer Number listed below: WASHINGTON DC SUGHRUE/265550 CUSTOMER NUMBER SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY Registration No. 30,951 Name Susan J. Mack Signature Susan J. Mark Date August 29, 2008

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